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## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed October 11, 2001, finally rejecting all pending claims (i.e., claims 1-10, 13-15, 17-37).

Please charge the \$320 Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) to Deposit Account no. 07-1765. Additionally, the undersigned authorizes the Patent Office to charge any additional fees which are or become due and credit any overpayments made to that same account.

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